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TO: Lowell P. Braxton, Director

THRU: Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director *MAW*

THRU: Wayne Hedberg, Permit Supervisor *WH*

FROM: Paul Baker, Senior Reclamation Specialist *PB*

RE: Request for Approval of Form and Amount of Replacement Reclamation Surety, Cotter Corporation, Papoose Mine, M/037/084, San Juan County, Utah

On March 3, 2003, Cotter Corporation provided the Division with a replacement surety bond and Reclamation Contract for their Papoose Mine located in San Juan County, Utah. No changes have been made to the mining and reclamation plan; therefore, no changes have been made to the Reclamation Contract or to the required surety amount.

The existing \$94,700 surety bond #ESD 7313394 issued by American Home Assurance Company has now been replaced with bond #64S104019142BCM issued by Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America. Travelers Casualty is on the federal register and on the listing of acceptable surety companies with an A++ rating.

If you are in agreement with the acceptance of the replacement reclamation surety please sign and date the documents. We will then forward copies of the executed documents to Cotter Corporation. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

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Enclosure: MR-RC & surety
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